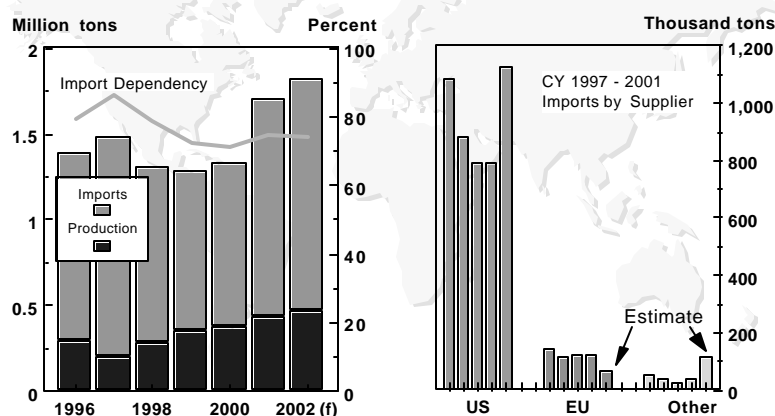


Russia's Broiler Situation

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001 (p)	2002 (f)
(1,000 tons ready to cook equivalent)							
Production	290	200	280	350	380	430	470
Imports	1,102	1,283	1,032	930	949	1,280	1,350
Consumption	1,379	1,472	1,301	1,275	1,324	1,705	1,814
Exports	13	11	11	5	5	3	6

Russian Dependence on Broiler Imports Flat as Domestic Production Gains Continue



Broiler production in 2002 is anticipated to increase 9 percent but will only partially fulfill the increase in domestic consumption. Broiler imports in 2002 are forecast to increase 5 percent to 1.35 million tons driven by strong domestic demand from a strengthening economy. Russia's broiler imports sharply increased in 2001 as broiler meat suited consumer demand for meat protein at attractive prices. The increased broiler consumption is forecast to continue in 2002 despite the recent import ban on U.S. poultry. In 2001, U.S. broiler exports to Russia, the largest market for the United States, were valued at \$635 million. However, U.S. broiler exports to Estonia and Latvia, which are for both direct consumption and re-exports to Russia, accounted for an additional \$30 million.